Vilavankod Water Supply Committee.

86. *MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: Will the Government be pleased to state the following information regarding the recommendation of the Water Supply Committee, Vilavankod, during the year 1116:

(*a*) list of tanks recommended to be improved or repaired;

(*b*) list of wells recommended to be sunk or repaired; and

(*c*) list of tanks and wells improved, repaired or sunk during the year in pursuance of the recommendation?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: (*a*) to (*c*) A *statement furnishing the information required is placed on the table.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: In answer to part (*c*) of the question, may I know why no tank has been marked out for improvement though the committee has recommended for the same.

MR. J. W. CHACKO: Out of the 17 tanks recommended by the committee, 3 have been ear-marked for improvement during this year and action is being taken on one of them.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: Is it not a fact that Budget provision has been made for improving certain tanks in some taluks?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: Yes.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: Then, may I know the reason for the delay in doing improvements?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: Some time is necessary in all these matters. Estimate has to be prepared and then lands have to be acquired.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: ഈ കൊല്ലത്തെ കണക്കു നോക്കിയതിൽ വിളവങ്കോട്ടു താലൂക്കിലെ ഇറിഗേഷൻ ജോലിക്കു യാതൊരു സംഖ്യയും ചെലവാക്കിയിട്ടില്ലാ എന്നു കാണാം. മേലാൽ അവിടെ ചെയ്യേണ്ട ജോലികളുടെ ഒരു ലിസ്റ്റ് വരുത്തി പരിശോധിച്ചു വേണ്ടതു ചെയ്വാൻ ഭയവുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: അതു ചെയ്യാം.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: May I know why in respect of items 9 to 14 in the Appendix regarding the sinking of wells and items 16 and 17 no estimates have been prepared?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: They are under preparation.

Land under cardamom cultivation.

87. *MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of acres of land under cardamom cultivation, as per thandaper in the Poopara, Udumbanchola and Pallivasal pakuthies of the Devicolam taluk;

(*b*) whether there is any market in the Devicolam taluk at present for the sale of the cardamom produced in the said areas, and if not, whether any steps are being taken for opening any such market immediately;

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(*c*) whether they have received any statistics showing the percentage of the cardamom produced in the Devicolam taluk which was sold in Travancore markets during last year; and

(*d*) whether they have consulted responsible officers as to whether it would not be profitable to Government and advantageous to the country if they open a cardamom market in the Pallivasal pakuthi of the Devicolam taluk and bring together all the cardamom produces of the taluk to that market for sale?

MR. S. RAMAKRISHNA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Poopara ... 17775·67
Udumbanchola ... 15835·08
Pallivasal ... 2507·80

(*b*) None. The matter is reported to be engaging the attention of the Cardamom Planters.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Yes. The matter was discussed at a conference in which some Heads of Departments and the leading Cardamom Planters took part.

MR. DOMINIC JOSEPH (*Vaikom cum Kottayam*): May I know whether any decision has been arrived at for opening a market for the sale of cardamom?

MR. S. RAMAKRISHNA AIYAR: It has not been decided.

MR. DOMINIC JOSEPH: May I know if the matter is under the consideration of Government?

MR. S RAMAKRISHNA AIYAR: Yes, Sir.

Concession to match factories.

88 * MR. CODIVEETIL C. RAMANKUNJU (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the concessions, if any, granted to each of the match factories and splints and veneers factories in Travancore?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: Credit facility up to Rs. 25,000 in the matter of issue of banderols is allowed to Messrs. West Coast Chemicals and Industries Ltd., Mudichal.

MR. C. RAMANKUNJU: വെസ്റ്റ് കോസ്റ്റ് കെമിക്കൽ ആൻഡ് ഇൻഡസ്ട്രീസ് ലിമിറ്റഡിന് ഫ്ലൂ-ൽ എത്ര രൂപയുടെ ക്രഡിറ്റ് കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടെന്ന് പറയുവാൻ മനസ്സുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: ഇരുപത്തയ്യായിരം രൂപായ്ക്കുള്ള കൊടുത്തുകാണും. അതിലധികം കൊടുക്കുവാൻ ഉത്തരവുണ്ട്.

Survey in Kartikapalli Taluk

89. * MR. CODIVEETIL C. RAMANKUNJU: Will the Government be pleased to state when they passed orders to survey and demarcate Survey Nos. 852 and 1091 of Arattupuzha pakuthi in Kartikapalli taluk and what portion of the work has been done till the end of Makaram 1116?

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